Giving Back

The Roanoke County Police Department played a major role in fundraising for the Commonwealth Youth Conference for Leadership Effectiveness (CYCLE) in 2005. Members of the Department teamed up against members of the City of Roanoke Police Department for a basketball game. A silent auction accompanied the game and all proceeds went to CYCLE. The Department raised over \$2,400 for the leadership camp for rising 10th graders, held at Virginia Tech.

The Department also hosted a Golf Tournament at Draper Valley Golf Course in Pulaski. This tournament, held May 25, 2005, attracted close to one hundred local golfers. Over \$7,000 was raised and given to the CYCLE program.



Members of the Roanoke County Police Department also participated in the 2005 Special Olympics Torch Run. Runners ran various distances between the Roanoke County/City Line on Route 460 East and run approximately I3 miles and hand the torch off to members of the Virginia State Police.

Members of the Department also helped raise money for the Special Olympics and the CYCLE program by participating in the Second Annual Special Olympics/CYCLE Pistol Shooting Competition. This competition allowed both officers and civilians to show off their target shooting abilities while raising money for good causes.

Would You Survive This Crash?



On Wednesday, October 19, 2005, Journey Lee and Chris Fralin were presented with the Police Department's "Saved by the Belt" Award.

Members of the Roanoke County Police Department, the media and the recipient's family and friends were present to hear the remarkable story of their survival as told by investigating officer, A.D. Morris.

Incredibly, in the summer of 2005, Journey and Chris were traveling on a four lane, divided highway in Roanoke County, when their vehicle was struck by a vehicle from the opposite direction that had crossed the median in a curve. Because Journey and Chris were wearing their seatbelts, they were able to survive the crash and exit the vehicle just before it caught fire.